

### **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Claims 31, 33, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45 and 65-70, as recited in the Examiner's Amendment mailed March 15, 2010, are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on April 15, 2010 has been considered. None of the references considered in the information disclosure statement affect the reasoning for allowance of the claims presented in the Examiner's Amendment dated March 15, 2010. Accordingly, for the reasoning provided therein, claims 31, 33, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45 and 65-70 are still allowable.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANIEL ZEILBERGER whose telephone number is (571)270-3570. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00-4:30pm est.

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